SECTION XXIII.

ISHVARA,

OR

THE SUPREME LORD.

SHRI BHAGAVAN said:

1. Again, O mighty-armed, hear thouMy supreme word,
that desiring thy welfare, I will declare to thee who art
beloved.—(x. 1.)

2. The multitude of the Gods, or the great Rishis,
know not My forthcoming, for I am the beginning of all
the Gods and the great Rishis.—(x. 2.)

3. By Me all this world is pervaded; in My unmani-
-fested aspect; all beings have root in Me, I am not
rooted in them.—(ix. 4.)

4. Nor have beings root in Me; behold My sovereign
Toga! The support of beings yet not rooted in beings,
My **Self** their efficient cause.—(ix. 5.)

5. As the mighty air everywhere moving is rooted in
•the Akasha, so all beings rest rooted in Me—thus know
thou.—(ix. 6.)

6. I will declare that which is to be known, that which
"being known immortality is enjoyed—the beginningless
supreme Brahman, called neither being nor non-being. —
<xiii. 12.)

7. Everywhere **That** has hands and feet, everywhere
•eyes, heads, and mouths; all-hearing, He dwelleth in the
world, enveloping all.—(xiii. 13.)